# Integration of remote sensing observations and a web-based DSS for managing agricultural drought in heterogeneous landscapes

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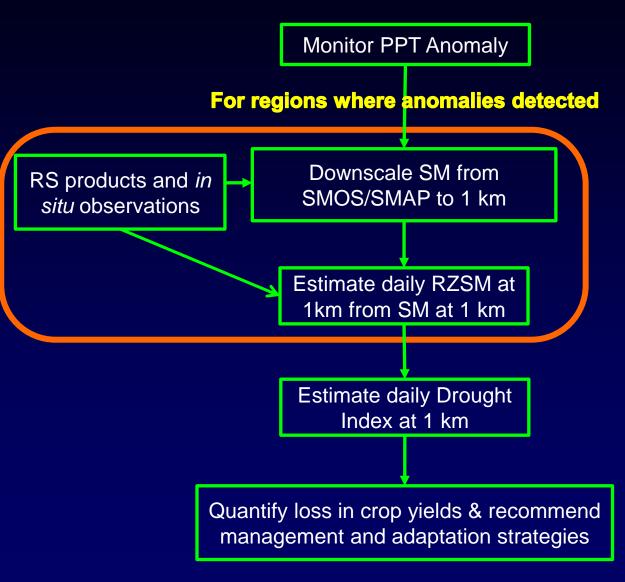


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## Overview

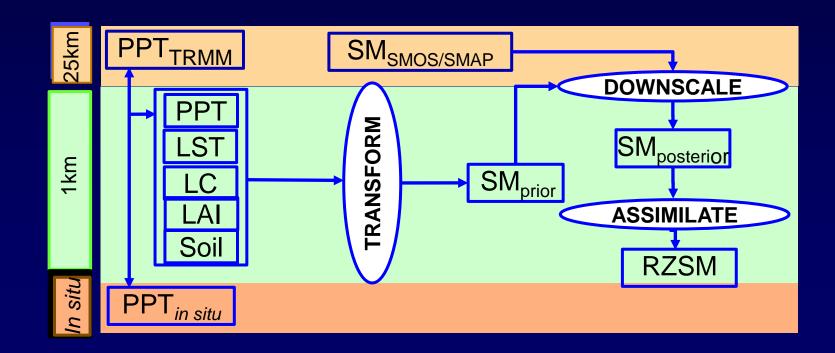
- Project started in June' 12
- Utilize RS data products at different spatio-temporal resolutions for
  - Quantifying impacts of agricultural drought on crop yield
  - Risk management and adaptation through web-based DSS
  - Soil moisture products from upcoming NASA-SMAP and current ESA-SMOS
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## Methodology

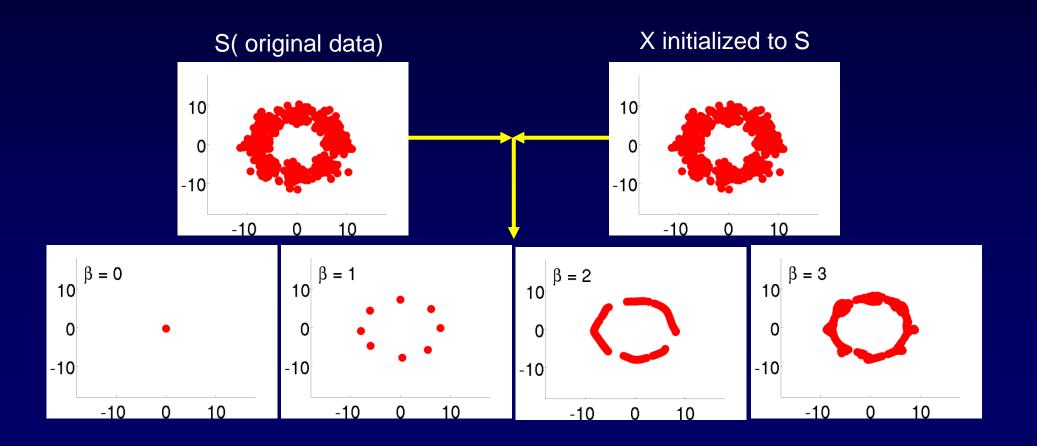
## Step 1: Transformation

- > Obtain probabilistic relationship between RS products and SM at 1km
- Discrete formulation of Bayes Rule and non-parametric methods to relate RS products to SM
- > Need training datasets for different scenarios



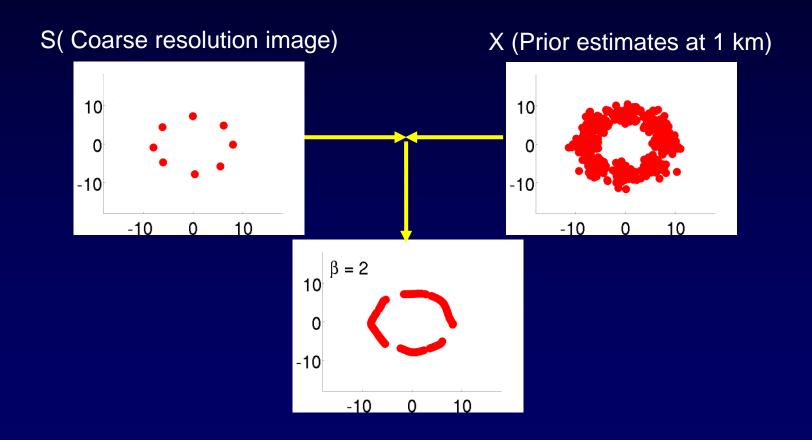
### Step 2: Downscaling

- » Principle of Relevant Information (PRI) framework that simultaneously preserves information and reduces redundancy in datasets; controlled by β
- Second-order statistics are substituted by scalars and functions with information theoretic principles such as entropy, mutual information, and correntropy



#### Methodology contd.

- Step 2: Downscaling applied to the project
  - Coarse scale information from SMOS (25 km) or SMAP (10 km)
  - > Fine scale information at 1 km from the initial SM estimate using RS products



#### Methodology contd.

 Synthetic experiment in a dynamic, heterogeneous landscape

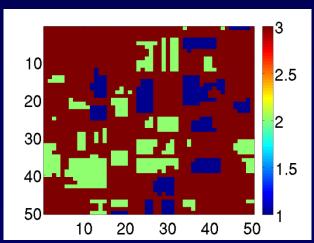
> Brown: bare soil

Green: cotton

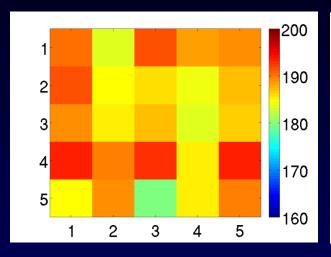
> Blue: corn

SVAT-Crop-RS model

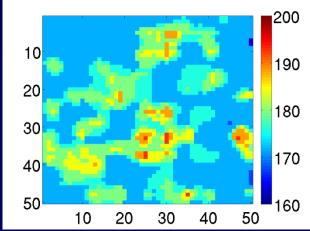
Land Cover at 1 km



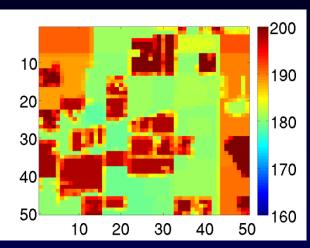
Observation at 10 km



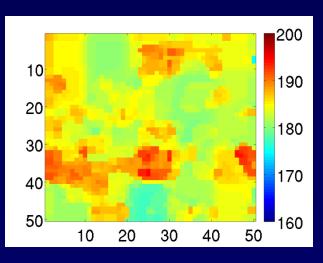
Prior estimate at 1 km



Truth at 1 km



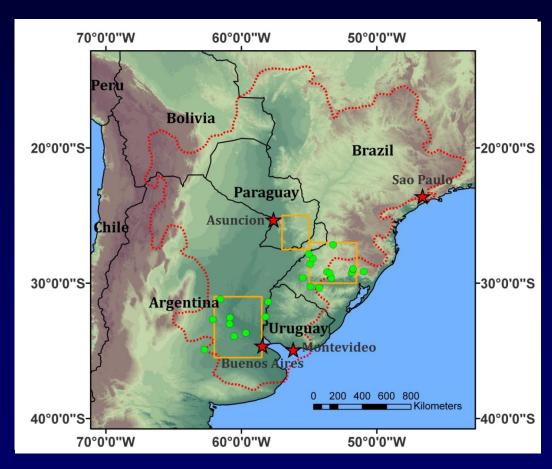
Posterior estimate at 1 km



## **Study Region & Data Products**

- Agricultural regions in the La Plata Basin in S. America
  - Brazil (400km), Argentina (400km), and Paraguay (150km)
  - Growing seasons: Sept through April 2010 present; training during drought and non-drought periods
- Non-drought: 2006-07
- Drought:
  - » Brazil 2004-05
  - Argentina 2007-08
  - > Paraguay 2008-09
- In Situ Observations:

Micrometeorological, soil moisture, crop specific, and land cover

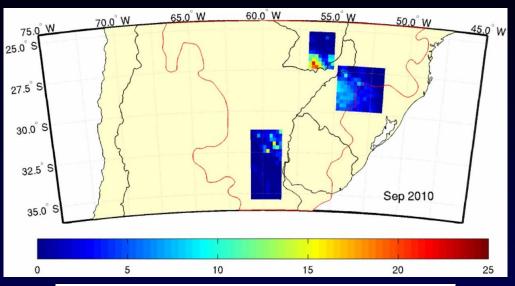


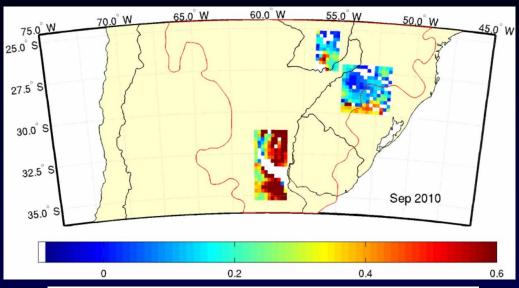
# Study Regions & data products contd.

## Remote Sensing Data Products

Product	Platform	Spatial resolution	Temporal resolution
LAI	MODIS (MCD15A3)	1km	4 days
LC	MODIS (MCD12Q1)	1km	Annual
LST	MODIS (MOD11A1)	1km	Daily
PPT	TRMM (3B42)	25km	3 hours
SM	SMOS (MIR_CLF33A)	25km	2~3 days
Solar Radiation	GOES (GSIP)	12.5km	3 hours
DEM	SRTM	90m	-NA-

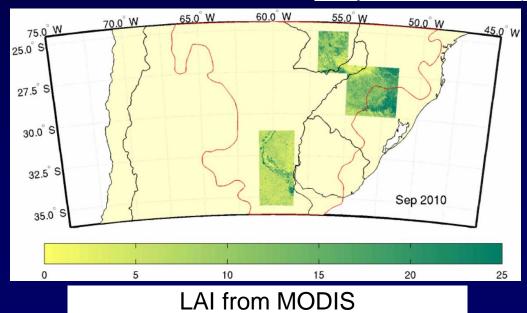
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Daily precipitation (mm) from TRMM

Daily soil moisture (m³/m³) from SMOS



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## **Partnerships**

- Team members have existing projects in the region: Fraisse & Berbery
- Cargill: Partner, user, & reviewer
- INPE-CPTEC, Brazil
- EMBRAPA, Brazil
- INTA, Argentina
- FECOPROD, Paraguay: Federation of production cooperatives
- AgMIP- intercomparison of agricultural models for different regions in the world, combining climate, crop, and economic models to understand the climate impacts on food security; funded by Dept. International Development, UK; Jim Jones (UF); Cynthia Rosenzweig (Columbia U.); Jim Hansen (Columbia U.)
- Potential collaborators: University colleagues in the region
- Visit to the region in Sept/Oct



Region	Non- drought	Drought
Argentina	448	263
Brazil	489	396
Paraguay	509	304

